

## Focus Occupation: **Surgical Technologists (29-2055)**

Focus occupation: Surgical Technologists	
Employment and Growth	188/ 30.6%
Ave. Monthly Wage	\$4,394
Education/Experience	Postsecondary non-degree award

Advance FROM Focus Occupation				
Occupation	Rung	Employment/ Growth	Education/Experience	Similarity
Registered Nurses (29-1111)	2	6,208/ 27.7%	AA	91
Health Technologists and Technicians, All Other (29-2099)	1	471/ 30.8%	VOC	94

Transfer TO and FROM Focus Occupation				
Occupation	Rung	Employment/ Growth	Education/Experience	Similarity
Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses (29-2061)	0	783/ 26.5%	VOC	71

Advance TO Focus Occupation				
Occupation	Rung	Employment/ Growth	Education/Experience	Similarity
Dental Assistants (31-9091)	-1	1,342/ 33.4%	VOC	75
Healthcare Support Workers, All Other (31-9099)	-1	1,381/ 31.5%	HS	86
Medical Equipment Preparers (31-9093)	-1	90/ 25.0%	HS	75

**Important note:** A worker does not necessarily have to traverse every rung to advance to or from the focus occupation. Occupations above and below the focus occupation are directly related to the focus occupation, but they are not necessarily directly related to each other. For example, actors and athletes are both related to agents of artists, performers, and athletes, but actors and athletes are not directly related to each other.

Analysis and development of the career lattice is by the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section.

Data sources used for research and analysis: O\*NET (Occupation Information Network), Alaska Occupational Data Base (ODB), Standard Occupational Classification Manual, North American Industry Classification System manual, Bureau of Labor Statistics Occupational Employer Survey (OES) wage estimates.